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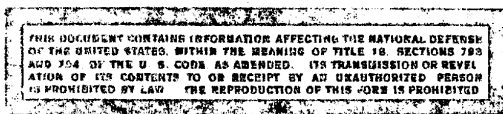
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1. The Czech Army is now being supplied with a new highly mobile single-tube rocket launcher.¹ The launcher tube is mounted on a light two-wheeled carriage and can be easily positioned by hand. By the use of carrying bars mounted on each side of the tube, the crew can carry the weapon. The launcher fires a rocket projectile about 120 mm. in diameter. At a range of about 150 meters, the rocket will penetrate 1.5 meters of reinforced concrete or 30 centimeters of tank armor.
2. The Czech armed forces are being supplied with the following new types of equipment:
 - a. A new model of the 1.5 ton Skoda truck.
 - b. A new model of the 3.5 ton Tatra truck, with a 111 type air-cooled engine.
 - c. A new model of the seven-ton Praga truck.
 - d. A new model of the Czech jeep with a Tatraplan 4-cylinder gasoline engine.²
 - e. A machine pistol which fires 7.65 mm. ammunition.
 - f. An improved model of the Czech-manufactured version of the Panzerfaust, with electromagnetic ignition.
 - g. Improved models of the Soviet T-34 tank.²

25X1 Comment: It is possible that this is a variant of the Soviet model heavy motor, i.e., M1943 120 mm. mountain mortar of a 120 mm. recoilless gun on a mobile mount.

25X1 Comment: The former jeep models had the Skoda 1100 type air-cooled engines.

25X1 Comment: Improvements have been made in the motor and radio equipment.

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